

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY MARCH 24, 2009

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009—10 REGULAR SESSION

## ASSEMBLY BILL

**No. 81**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Audra Strickland**  
*(Coauthors: Assembly Members Adams, DeVore, Gilmore, Jeffries,  
Nestande, Price, and Smyth)*  
*(Coauthors: Senators Cox and Runner)*

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An act to add Section 49069.7 to the Education Code, relating to interscholastic athletics.

### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 81, as amended, Audra Strickland. Interscholastic athletics: pupils in foster care.

Existing law recognizes that the California Interscholastic Federation is a voluntary organization that consists of school and school-related personnel with responsibility for administering interscholastic athletic activities in secondary schools.

Existing law requires that, with respect to a pupil in foster care, as soon as a county placing agency becomes aware of the need to transfer that pupil out of his or her current school, the county placing agency contact the appropriate person at the local educational agency of the pupil and notify the local educational agency of the date that the pupil will be leaving the school and request that the pupil be transferred out. Existing law further requires that, upon receiving a transfer request from a county placing agency, the local educational agency of the pupil transfer the pupil out of the school and deliver the educational information and records of the pupil to the next educational placement within 2 business days.

This bill would require the California Interscholastic Federation to amend its constitution and bylaws to require that, no later than January 15, 2010, the receipt of the educational information and records transfer of a pupil in foster care who has been transferred pursuant to a court order at that pupil's next educational placement pursuant to existing law be deemed to be presumptive evidence that the pupil has had a or the transfer of a pupil in foster care pursuant to the determination of a social worker that changes are needed in that pupil's home setting are valid change changes of residence for the purposes of eligibility for interscholastic athletic activities.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1     SECTION 1. Section 49069.7 is added to the Education Code,  
2     to read:  
3     49069.7. The California Interscholastic Federation shall amend  
4     its constitution and bylaws to require that, no later than January  
5     15, 2010, the receipt of the educational information and records  
6     of a pupil in foster care who has been transferred pursuant to a  
7     court order at that pupil's next educational placement pursuant to  
8     Section 49069.5 shall be deemed to be presumptive evidence that  
9     the pupil has had either of the following is a valid change of  
10    residence for the purposes of eligibility for interscholastic athletic  
11    activities: activities:  
12    (a) A pupil in foster care has been transferred pursuant to a  
13    court order.  
14    (b) A pupil in foster care has been transferred pursuant to the  
15    determination of a social worker that changes are needed in that  
16    pupil's home setting.

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